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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - JOINT JORDAN/SYRIA-US AIR SERVICE
PROPOSAL

REF: (A) STATE 273446; (B) STATE 273252

1. MEMO OF CONSULTATIONS (REF B) STATED: "IT WAS AGREED
THEREFORE TO RECESS THE TALKS AND TO RESUME THEM IN WASHING-
TON ON NOVEMBER 22 IF POSSIBLE, BUT IN ANY EVENT NO LATER
THAN NOVEMBER 29, 1976."

2. IT IS NOW APPARENT THAT PRIORITY REVIEW OF JORDANIAN/
SYRIAN OPERATING PROPOSAL AT HIGHEST USG POLICY LEVELS CAN-
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NOT BE COMPLETED BY NOV 22, AND THAT RESUMPTION OF TALKS

WILL HAVE TO BE DEFERRED UNTIL A SOMEWHAT LATER DATE. WE HOPE TO BE IN POSITION TO RESUME THEM ON OR VERY SOON AFTER NOV 29, BUT PRECISE DATE MUST DEPEND ON WHEN OUR PRIORITY REVIEW IS FINISHED.

3. EMBASSIES REQUESTED TO ADVISE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS IN HOST GOVTS THAT JOINT JORDANIAN/SYRIAN AVIATION PROPOSAL IS BEING REVIEWED AT HIGHEST POLICY LEVELS IN USG AND THAT SINCE TIME IS INSUFFICIENT TO REACH DECISION BY NOV 22, US PROPOSES TO DEFER RESUMPTION OF TALKS UNTIL A SUBSEQUENT

EARLY DATE. WE HOPE RPT HOPE THIS WILL BE NOV 29 BUT CANNOT BE DEFINITIVE. WE ARE FOLLOWING REVIEW PROCESS CLOSELY AND WILL KEEP GOJ AND SARG ADVISED. WE ARE INFORMING JORDANIAN AND SYRIAN AMBASSADORS HERE ALONG SAME LINES. KISSINGER

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